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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to taking up the above-identified patent application for examination, please amend the application as follows:

## In the Specification

Please make the paragraph substitutions indicated in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Specification Paragraphs.

## Please insert the following paragraph at page 1, line 5:

## -Statement Regarding Government Rights

This invention was made with Government support under Contract F30602-97-C-0245 awarded by the Air Force. The Government has certain rights in this invention.--

When the Examiner takes up the above-identified application for the first Office Action, consideration of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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